

The message also announced that the House agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1370) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 5 of the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission Act (Public Law 115-77), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission: Mr. HARRIS of Maryland; And from private life: Ms. Sylvia Quinton of Mardela Springs, Maryland and Dr. C. James Trotman of West Chester, Pennsylvania.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 8:41 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. UPTON) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 1370. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the Acting president pro tempore (Mr. KENNEDY).

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1159. An act to provide for continuing cooperation between the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Israel Space Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4015. An act to improve the quality of proxy advisory firms for the protection of investors and the U.S. economy, and in the public interest, by fostering accountability, transparency, responsiveness, and competition in the proxy advisory firm industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2274. A bill to provide for the compensation of Federal employees affected by lapses in appropriations.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3725. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office

of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Military Commissions" (RIN0790-AJ58) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3726. A communication from the President, Institute for Defense Analyses, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Elements Contributing to Expenses Incurred by Contractors for Bid and Proposal; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3727. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a semiannual report entitled, "Acceptance of Contributions for Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account" and a semiannual listing of personal property contributed by coalition partners; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3728. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Military Child Initiative Pilot Program Report of Activities, Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3729. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amended Interpretive Rule Under the Military Lending Act Limitations on Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Service Members and Dependents" (RIN0790-ZA13) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 15, 2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3730. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3731. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, "Report to Congress on Federal Government Energy Management for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3732. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma Regulatory Program" ((30 CFR Part 936) (Docket ID OSM-2015-0006)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3733. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wyoming Regulatory Program" ((30 CFR Part 950) (Docket ID OSM-2013-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3734. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of construction and operations of the mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility (MOX facility) at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site in South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3735. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Water Quality Inven-

tory: Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3736. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Confidentiality Determinations for Hazardous Waste Export and Import Documents" (FRL No. 9971-49-OLEM) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3737. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Arizona: Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 9972-09-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3738. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Placer County and Ventura County Pollution Control Districts" (FRL No. 9971-76-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3739. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Arizona Air Plan Revision; San Manuel, Arizona; Second 10-Year Sulfur Dioxide Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9972-03-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3740. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; Infrastructure Requirement for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide and 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9972-23-Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3741. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3742. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3743. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 409A for Pre-2009 Section 457A Deferrals" (Notice 2017-75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3744. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2017 Required